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Health Centre,

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Guisborough.

SALTBURN & MARSKE-BY-THE-SEA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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1972 ANNUAL REPORT

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by the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

P. S. R. BURRELL, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Your obedient servant,

and the

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Medical Officer of Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1972

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STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area (in Acres)	3,686
Population (Registrar General's Estimate for mid-1971)	20,280
Population (England and Wales)	49,028,900
Number of inhabited houses	6,347
Rateable Value	£445,079
Product of a Penny Rate (2,394 x 2.4)	£5,745.60p

Table I
VITAL STATISTICS

	Saltburn & Marske U.D.C.			England & Wales.
	Male	Female	Total	Total
Live Births:				
Legitimate	203	176	379	662,907
Illegitimate	12	7	19	62,498
Total	215	183	398	725,405
Still Births:				
Legitimate	2	5	7	7,846
Illegitimate	-	-	-	948
Total	2	5	7	8,794
Total Live and Still Births				
Legitimate	205	181	386	670,753
Illegitimate	12	7	19	63,446
Total	217	188	405	734,199
Deaths of infants under 1 year:				
Legitimate	5	1	6	11,177
Illegitimate	1	-	1	1,317
Total	6	1	7	12,494
Under 4 weeks:				
Legitimate	2	1	3	7,503
Illegitimate	-	-	-	870
Total	2	1	3	8,373
Under 1 week:				
Legitimate	2	1	3	6,365
Illegitimate	-	-	-	777
Total	2	1	3	7,142
Deaths, all ages	89	102	191	591,907

TABLE II
Birth, Death and Infant Mortality Rates, etc.

LIVE BIRTH RATES, etc.	Saltburn & Marske	England & Wales
Live births per 1,000 population (crude rate)	19.6	14.8
Area comparability factor	0.88	1.0
Adjusted Rate (Saltburn & Marske)	17.2	14.8
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	1.17	1.0
Illegitimate Rate as percentage of all live births	5.0	9.0
Still Births Rate (1,000 total live and still births)	17.0	12.0
Infant Mortality Rate		
Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births	18	17
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 legitimate live births	16	17
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 illegitimate live births	52	21
Neonatal mortality rate		
Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births	8	12
Early Neonatal mortality rate		
Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 live births	8	10
Perinatal mortality rate		
Still births and deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live and still births	25	22
Death Rates		
Deaths per 1,000 population (crude rate)	9.4	12.1
Area comparability factor	1.29	1.0
Adjusted rate (Saltburn & Marske)	12.1	12.1
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	1.0	1.0

Table III

Deaths by Age Groups:

Under 4 weeks	3	35 years - 44 years	5
4 weeks - 1 year	4	45 years - 54 years	10
1 year - 4 years	1	55 years - 64 years	31
5 years - 14 years	-	65 years to 75 years	46
15 years - 24 years	-	75 years and over	89
25 years - 34 years	2		
			182

TABLE IV

DEATHS FROM ALL CAUSES

		Male	Female	Total.
B19(3)	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	4	4	8
B19(4)	Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	2	2	4
B19(6)	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	9	2	11
B19(7)	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	4	4
B19(8)	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	6	6
B19(9)	Malignant Neoplasm, Prostrate	2	-	2
B19(10)	Leukaemia	1	1	2
B19(11)	Other Malignant Neoplasms	3	7	10
B20	Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms		1	1
B21	Diabetes Mellitus		2	2
B46(1)	Other Endocrine etc. Diseases		1	1
B46(3)	Mental Disorders		5	5
B46(5)	Other Diseases of Nervous System	1	2	3
B26	Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	-	1
B27	Hypertensive Disease	1	1	2
B28	Ischaemic Heart Disease	20	22	42
B29	Other Forms of Heart Disease	2	2	4
B30	Cerebrovascular Disease	15	14	29
B46(6)	Other Diseases of Circulatory System	3	1	4
B32	Pneumonia	8	12	20
B33(1)	Bronchitis and Emphysema	4	1	5
B34	Peptic Ulcer	-	3	3
B46(8)	Other Diseases of Digestive System	1	1	2
B39	Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	-	1
B46(9)	Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	-	1	1
B46(11)	Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	1	1	2
B 42	Congenital Anomalies	2	-	2
B43	Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc.	1	1	2
B45	Symptoms and Illdefined Conditions	4	2	6
BE47	Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	1	2
BE48	All Other Accidents	2	1	3
BE49	Suicide and Self-inflicted Injuries		1	1
Total - All Causes		89	102	191

Saltburn and Marske

Notifications of Infectious Diseases 1971.

	1972 Population 20,280	1971 Population 19,690	1970 Population 18,460	1969 Population 17,820
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-
Measles	107	104	269	29
Whooping Cough	-	7	20	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-
Anterior Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1	1	-	1
Other forms of Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-
Opthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	110
Infective Jaundice	-	1	-	11

Notifications of Respiratory Tuberculosis 1971

Male Age Groups						Female Age Groups					
0-4	5-14	25-44	45-64	Over 65	Total	0-4	5-14	25-44	45-64	Over 65	Total
-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1

COMMENTARY.

Population

The population of the area continues to increase, having reached 20,280 in 1972. The corresponding figure for 1971 was 19,690 so that there has been an increase of 590 or 3%. These are the lowest figures for the area for some years.

The birth rate as adjusted for population is 17.2 per thousand compared with 19.5 per thousand in the previous year, these figures, corresponding to the sharp drop in the figures for England and Wales which fell from 16.0 per thousand to 14.8 per thousand over the same period. The general fall in birth rates is no doubt due to the increasing provision of family planning facilities and their acceptance by the public.

Death rate as adjusted for population structure at 12.1 per thousand is the same as that for England and Wales. There was a marked increase in the number of deaths from cancer this year especially of the stomach and the lung. There were no less than eleven deaths from lung cancer in 1972 compared with only three in 1971. Efforts continue to be made to reduce cigarette smoking through health education but it has to be admitted that so far there has been only limited success.

The illegitimacy rate at remains the same as in the previous year whereas the rate for England and Wales rose from 8% to 9%. This follows the general pattern in recent years.

Infectious Disease

Once again the only considerable number of notifications of infectious disease was of 107 cases of measles. Vaccination against measles is only slowly gaining general acceptance and many parents do not keep the appointments made for their children, partly because they regard measles as a minor disease and partly through fear of adverse reactions to the vaccine.

The only other notification was of a single case of pulmonary tuberculosis.

Immunization

The current programme of immunisation against diphtheria tetanus whooping cough and measles in infancy has continued but, as noted above, the acceptance of measles vaccine is not as high as one could wish. However, the position is improving slowly and it is to be hoped that in the near future measles vaccine will be accepted as readily as the others.

Smallpox vaccine as a routine procedure has now been discontinued. The areas of the world where smallpox is prevalent become smaller each year and it is felt that the risk of importation of the disease is now so small that even the slight risks associated with vaccination are no longer justified.

Rubella (German measles) vaccination is offered to girls on entry to secondary school and is almost invariably accepted.

Meals on Wheels

The service provided by the W.R.V.S. in Saltburn and Marske has continued in operation and forms a most valuable contribution to the welfare of the aged in the area.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 TO 1959

PART I OF THE ACTS

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises (1)	No. on Register (2)	No. of Inspections (3)	No. of Written Notices (4)
(i) Factories in which Sections 2, 3, 4, & 6, are to be enforced by Local Authority	42	31	8
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	-	-	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	6	6	-
Total	48	37	8

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Premises (1)	Number of Cases in which Defects were found	
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	2	2
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) (a) Unsuitable or Defective	3	3
Total	5	5

CLINIC FACILITIES IN THE AREA

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Tuesday and Friday at 1-3Op.m.
(This Clinic is staffed by the Regional Hospital Board).

CHILD WELFARE SESSIONS:

Marske Clinic, Mondays at 2 p.m.
The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Wednesday at 2 p.m.
New Marske. Last Thursday of month at 10 a.m.

IMMUNIZATIONS SESSIONS:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Wednesday at 2 p.m.
Marske Clinic. Mondays and Thursdays at 2 p.m.

CHIROPODY CLINIC:

Red Cross House, Amber Street, Saltburn. By appointment.
Marske Clinic. By appointment.
A domiciliary service is available to persons unable to travel to the clinics by reason of infirmity.

SPEECH THERAPY:

Marske Clinic. Fridays by appointment.

FAMILY PLANNING SERVICE:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. Every Tuesday at 7.00 p.m.
Marske Clinic. Every Wednesday at 10 a.m.

CERVICAL CYTOLOGY:

Marske Clinic. By appointment.
The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. By appointment.

SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC:

The Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn. By appointment.

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the year 1972/73

H.R. DARLING, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.
Certified Meat Inspector

To the Chairman and Members of the Saltburn and Marske-by-the-Sea Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit my twenty-sixth annual report on the sanitary conditions of the district for the year ending 31st December, 1972.

The staff of the department consists of an additional Public Health Inspector, Mr. R. Evans, one full-time Shorthand Typist/Clerk and a full time Rodent Operator and one full-time Technical Assistant-Smoke Control.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF THE PREPARATION AND SALE OF FOOD

Regular inspections have been made of cafes, hotel kitchens, ice cream premises, food shops, stalls and vehicles for the purpose of enforcing the requirements of the Food and Drugs Act, Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1966 and Bye-Laws.

During the year, warnings were given in respect of breaches of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

The following articles of food, other than fresh meat, were surrendered to me during the year and classified as unfit for human consumption:-

Tinned Goods	211 lbs
Frozen Goods	307 lbs
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Total	<u>518 lbs</u>

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There is one licensed slaughterhouse in the district, and one hundred per cent meat inspection was carried out following slaughter. During the years 520 visits were made and the carcasses and organs of 1306 animals were inspected. The total weight of meat classified as unfit for human consumption was 121 lbs.

Slaughter of Animals Regulations - No contraventions of the Regulations were found during the years.

Carcasses and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or Part:

	Gattle Exclud'g Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Killed	236	-	-	1070	-	-
Number Inspected	236	-	-	1070	-	-
All Diseases (except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci Whole Carcasses Condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was Condemned	13	-	-	8	-	-
Percentage of Number Inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	5.5	-	-	0.75	-	-
Tuberculosis only: Whole Carcasses Condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some or organ was Condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of Number Inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis	-	-	-	-	-	-

Meat was condemned for the following reasons: lbs

Cirrhosis	24
Pneumonia	22
Parasitic affection	37
Abscesses	38
Total	<u>121</u>

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Certificates of Registration have been granted under Section 16 of the above Act for the sale of ice-cream and the manufacture of sausage, etc.

Sale of Ice-cream	66
Manufacture of Pickled, Pressed or preserved Food and Sausage including Fried Fish Shops	15

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1958

Two licences to Slaughter Animals were renewed during the years.

SHELLFISH REGULATIONS

An Order is in force prohibiting the sale of shellfish collected on the foreshore for human consumption and notices are exhibited on the approaches to the area where the shellfish are found.

FACTORIES ACT 1937 to 1961

At the end of 1972 there were 48 factories on the register of the Local Authority. During the year, 37 visits were made to the premises and 8 notices were served in respect of breaches of the Regulations with regard to cleanliness and sanitary conveniences.

LICENSED PREMISES

Visits have been made to all licensed premises in the area for the purpose of checking sanitary accommodation, washing facilities and general conditions under the Food and Drugs Act and Food Hygiene Regulations.

TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS

There are two licensed sites in the area, the larger being under the control of the local authority and having accommodation for 521 caravans. There is a small private site which has accommodation for four caravans.

The sites are provided with washing facilities, piped water supply, waste water drainage and water closets.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The total number of registered premises at the end of the two years was 177 this total being made up of 30 offices, 121 retail shops and 26 catering establishments open to the public. The total number of persons employed at these premises was 534. A total of 248 visits were made by Inspectors to registered premises.

The majority of premises comply with the regulations, breaches of the regulations found were:-

Cleanliness	18	Clothing Accommodation	2
Temperature	3	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	
Ventilation	1	Floor, passage & stairs	28
Lighting	3	Fencing of machines	3
Sanitary Accommodation	11	First Aid	8
Washing Facilities	6	Miscellaneous	24

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT 1949

The Council employs a full-time Rodent Operator and herewith is a tabulated statement of the work carried out during the year. These premises are provided free to the householders and a charge is made to business premises.

	Type of Property				
	Non-Agricultural				Agricultural
	(1) Local Authority	(2) Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)	(3) All other including Business Premises	(4) Total of Cols. (1) (2) and (3)	(5)
1. No. of properties in Local Authority's District	17	6792	879	7720	31
2. No. of Properties inspected as a result of notification.	2	1071	192	1173	-
No. of such properties found to be infested by: Common Rat-minor	2	402	95	496	-
House mouse-minor	-	-	61	223	-
3. No. of Properties inspected in course of Survey under the Act	17	716	266	482	31
No. of such properties found to be infested by: Common Rat-minor	8	56	37	93	16
House mouse- minor	2	23	10	33	-
4. Total inspections carried out including re-inspections	184	1287	368	1655	62
5. No. of Infested Properties (in Sections 2 and 3) treated by Local Authority	12	485	63	548	4

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

The Council are members of the National Society for Clean Air and the Teesside Clean Air Committee.

Two deposit gauges are in use in the area, one being sited at Marske-by-the-Sea in the playing field of the Junior School, Windy Hill Lane, by kind permission of the Secretary for Education and one at the Council Offices at Saltburn-by-the-Sea.

Two volumetric gauges are in use, one at 30 Vicarage Drive, Marske-by-the-Sea and one at the Clinic, Bath Street, Saltburn-by-the-Sea. In addition to smoke readings sulphur dioxide readings are taken on the machine at Saltburn.

SMOKE CONTROL ORDER - CLEAN AIR ACT 1956

Three areas are in operation and two other Orders have been made and submitted to the Department of the Environment for confirmation.

The date the 2nd and 3rd orders came into operation on the 1st November, 1972.

Order No.	Area	Private Dwellings	Council Dwellings	Industrial Premises	Commercial Premises	Others
1	1890	584	NIL	25	1	-
2	311	950	NIL	5	2	4
3	405	490	NIL	-	3	1
4	150	619	174	4	25	4
5	224	750	270	4	14	11
Total	2980	3393	444	38	45	16

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

One licence issued under the above Act was renewed during the years 1967/68 and 1968/69. The premises registered were visited regularly and no breaches of the Act were found during the years.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISMENTS ACT, 1963

One licence issued under the above Act was renewed during the years 1967/68 and 1968/69. The premises registered were visited regularly and no breaches of the Act were found during the year.

WARDEN SERVICE TO ELDERLY PERSONS ACCOMMODATION

There are 9 wardens employed by the Council in connection with groups of elderly persons bungalows and flats. This scheme is worked under the grant aid scheme of the North Devon County Council of up to £30 per head for each person eligible for Warden Service. Housing accommodation is provided for every warden and an intercommunication system is installed in every elderly persons accommodation so that they have direct contact with the Warden.

This service has proved very satisfactory and the elderly people are very happy with it. The wardens carry out their work in a very satisfactory manner and have been of great help to the occupants of the accommodation.

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS ACT, 1958 AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959, 1961, 1964, 1969.

223 applications were received for Discretionary Grants during the years 1967/68 and 1968/69 and 221 were approved by the Council.

11 applications for Standard Grants were received and 11 approved by the Council during the year.

1 application for a Special Grant (Multiple Occupied dwelling) was received and approved.

The total amount of grants paid by the Council during 1972/73 was as follows:-

	1972	1973
Discretionary Grants	29543.00	78704.00
Standard Grants	2556.00	75.00
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	£32099.00	£78779.00
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I wish to express my appreciation to the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Health and Housing Committee and Councillors for supporting me in my work during the years, and the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. P. S. R. Burrell, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., for the encouragement and advice he has given me during the years.

I wish also to express my thanks to the Clerk of the Council, the Engineer and Surveyor, Officials and Staff of the Council for their co-operation during the years.

I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

N.R. DARLING.

